## VILLAGE OF GEORGETOWN, OHIO

## ORDINANCE NO. 1167

## AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 93.40 OF ORDINANCE NO. 1041 OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF GEORGETOWN, OHIO

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Georgetown, Brown County, Ohio, two-thirds or more of all members thereof concurring as follows:

- SECTION 1. That existing Section 93.40 of Ordinance No. 1041 of the Ordinances of the Village of Georgetown, Ohio enacted on April 13, 2006 be and hereby is repealed.
- SECTION 2. That the following new Section 93.40 shall be and hereby is enacted in its place:

## 93.40 CUTTING REQUIRED.

- (A) The owner or occupant, or any other person, firm or corporation, having the care of any lot or land within the Municipality shall cut down and remove therefrom all offensive and noxious weeds, vines and grass of a height of eight inches or more and any and all weeds, vines, and grass constituting a threat to the public health, safety, comfort or welfare.
- (B) It is a prima-facie violation of this chapter if weeds or grass eight inches or more in height exist on any lot on any of the following dates: April 15, May 1, May 15, June 1, June 15, July 1, July 15, August 1, August 15, September 1, September 15, October 1 or October 15.
- (C) The Village Administrator of the Municipality shall cause an annual notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Village notifying the residents of the requirement of this chapter.
  - (D) The provisions of this Ordinance shall not apply under the following circumstances:
- (1) To vegetation such as trees, bushes, flowers or other ornamental plants maintained as a part of a landscaping plan notwithstanding that such trees, bushes, flowers or other ornamental plants may exceed a height of eight inches, provided however, that the words "maintained as a part of a landscaping plan" is intended to permit the cultivation of such vegetation in designated planting beds and areas for decorative purposes. It shall not be construed to permit the unregulated or unrestrained growth of such vegetation upon a property so as to create a nuisance to neighboring properties.
- (2) To that portion of any lots or land within the Municipality which are naturally wooded and tree covered such that the existing trees, bushes and similar vegetation have the effect of shading out the noxious weeds and rank vegetation intended to be curtailed by the operation of the Ordinance;

(3) To that portion of any lots or land within the Municipality which are maintained and cultivated for agricultural purposes.

SECTION 3. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the earliest date allowed by law.

PASSED: June 17, 2015

Dale E. Cahall, Mayor

ATTEST:

Natalie K.R. Newberry, Fiscal Officer